

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, UTILITIES, AND ENERGY

BILL SUMMARY

BILL NO. H.3511

TITLE: An Act relative to lithium-ion batteries

SPONSOR: Representative Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

COMMITTEE: Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy

HEARING DATE: June 18, 2025

PRIOR HISTORY: 2023-2024: H.3178 heard by Committee; reported favorably to the Joint Committee on Rules; discharged to the House Committee on Rules; no further action taken.

CURRENT LAW:

MassDEP published the 2030 Solid Waste Master Plan in October 2021, pursuant to Section 21 of Chapter 16 of the Massachusetts General Laws, however, the Master Plan doesn't make reference to lithium-ion car vehicle battery recycling.

SUMMARY:

This bill creates a Lithium-Ion Car Vehicle Battery Advisory Group within EEA to review the state's recovery and recycling policies for lithium-ion batteries in vehicles sold in the Commonwealth. The Group shall consult with higher education institutions that have conducted research in battery recycling, EV and hybrid vehicle manufacturing, and the recycling industry. Within one year of the bill's passage, the Group shall submit a report with its findings and recommendations to EEA; DEP; pertinent legislative committees; and the House and Senate clerks.